



PATENT APPLICATION # 7

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SHEETS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 1, 2002, for the above-identified application.

Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-4, without traverse. Applicant further elects Species I, Figure 1, claim 1 which is readable thereon, without traverse. It is noted that the Examiner has indicated that claim 1 is generic to both Species I and II of Group I.

Applicant reserves the right to file Divisional Applications directed to non-elected Groups II - Group VI.

Respectfully submitted,

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